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ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE OFFICERS OF THE

TOWN OF CHATHAM



FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JANUARY 31

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LIST OF TOWN OFFICERS

Selectmen

RICHARD F. CHANDLER HENRY R. HARVEY
MERTON A. YOUNG

Treasurer

WELLINGTON P. CHANDLER

Town Clerk

OLIN R. HANSCOM

Tax Collector

MADISON O. CHARLES

Highway Surveyor

GUY M. CROUSE

Supervisors of Check List

CHARLES S. CHANDLER

Constable

M. O. CHARLES

Auditor

GLENORA HANSCOM

SELECTMEN'S REPORT

Real estate, resident valuation,	\$119,095 00	
Personal resident valuation,	14,505 00	
	<hr/>	\$133,600 00
Resident exempt, \$1,000.		
Real estate, non resident,	\$156,900 00	
Personal, non resident,	21,860 00	
	<hr/>	\$178,760 00
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Total valuation,		\$312,360 00

PERSONAL PROPERTY TAXED, RESIDENT

75 horses,	\$5,970 00	
10 oxen,	530 00	
170 cows,	5,710 00	
32 neat stock,	980 00	
15 sheep,	70 00	
175 fowls,	175 00	
Money,	1,070 00	
	<hr/>	\$14,505 00

PERSONAL PROPERTY TAXED, NON-RESIDENT

13 horses,	\$1,800 00	
2 cows,	60 00	
Lumber,	16,500 00	
Mill and machinery,	3,500 00	
	<hr/>	\$21,860 00

Tax rate, .018 per \$1.00:

Resident assessment, less polls,	\$2,404 80	
Non-resident assessment,	3,217 68	
Poll tax @ \$3 per poll, 2,	6 00	
Poll tax @ \$5 per poll, 115,	575 00	
	<hr/>	\$6,203 48

APPROPRIATIONS

State tax,	\$529 00	
County tax,	774 67	
Expense of town,	2,000 00	
	<hr/>	\$3,303 67

SCHOOL APPROPRIATIONS

Per capita tax,	\$80 00	
\$5 on \$1,000 of equalized valuation, \$305,667	1,528 34	
Repairs on schoolhouses,	500 00	
District officers' salaries,	100 00	
Excess salary,	60 00	
Voted to pay entire tuition to Fryeburg Academy and Stow high school to July 1, 1923,	220 00	
High school tuition,	390 00	
	<hr/>	\$2,878 34
Overlay,		21 47
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		\$6,203 48

SALARIES TOWN OFFICERS

M. O. Charles, collecting taxes, 1922,	\$59 68
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M. O. Charles, part collecting taxes, 1923,	48 00
R. F. Chandler, selectman,	50 00
Henry R. Harvey, selectman,	28 00
W. P. Chandler, treasurer,	20 00

MISCELLANEOUS ORDERS

Webb Smith, printing reports,	\$46 87
R. F. Chandler, collector and order book,	5 07
Willis Bryant, care of cannon,	5 00
Respectfully submitted,	

RICHARD F. CHANDLER,
HENRY R. HARVEY,
MERTON A. YOUNG,
Selectmen of Chatham.

FINANCIAL REPORT

CERTIFICATE

This is to certify that the information contained in this report was taken from official records and is complete to the best of our knowledge and belief.

RICHARD F. CHANDLER,
HENRY R. HARVEY,
MERTON A. YOUNG,
Selectmen of Chatham.

WELLINGTON P. CHANDLER,
Treasurer.

February 12, 1923.

BALANCE SHEET

ASSETS

Cash in hands of treasurer,	\$446 99	
Due from State:		
Joint highway accounts, un-		
expended balances in State		
treasury,	362 43	
Bounty,	49 00	
Due from county,	276 98	
Taxes not collected, levy of 1923,	769 94	
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Total assets,		\$1,905 34

LIABILITIES

Accounts Owed by the Town:		
Orders outstanding,	\$109 16	
Bills outstanding,	67 00	
Due to School Districts:		
Dog licenses,	24 00	
High school tuition,	290 34	
State and Town Joint Highway Accounts:		
Unexpended balance in State		
treasury,	362 43	
Unexpended balance in Town		
Treasury,	532 29	
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Total liabilities,	\$1,385 22	
Excess of assets over liabilities, (surplus),		520 12
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Grand total,		\$1,905 34

UNIFORM CLASSIFICATION

RECEIPTS

Current Revenue

From Local Taxes:

Property taxes committed	
to collector, 1923, \$5,622 58	
Less discounts and	
abatements, 1923, 5,584 78	
Less uncollected, 1923, 4,839 84	
Property taxes, current year,	
actually collected,	\$4,839 84
Poll taxes, current year, ac-	
tually collected, 2 @ \$3,	6 00
Poll taxes, current year, ac-	
tually collected, 105 @ \$5,	525 00
Property and poll taxes, pre-	
vious years actually col-	
lected,	714 85

Total of above collections, \$6,085 69

From State:

For State aid maintenance,	\$347 65
Savings bank tax,	39 61

From Local Sources Except Taxes:

Dog licenses,	26 40
Interest received on deposits,	15 00
Permits for the registration	
of motor vehicles,	357 79
National Forest Reserve, dis-	
tribution,	197 35
Error in Fred Garland's tax	

on Handscom place,	18 00	
	<hr/>	\$1,001 80
Total receipts from all sources,		\$7,087 49
Cash on hand February 1, 1923,		446 99
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Grand total,		\$7,534 48

PAYMENTS

Current Maintenance Expenses

General Government:

Town officers' salaries,	\$205 68
Town officers' expenses,	51 94
Paid for care of cannon,	5 00

Protection of Persons and Property:

Bounties,	49 00
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Highways and Bridges:

State aid maintenance,	712 15
Town maintenance,	754 06

Charities:

County poor,	276 98
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Unclassified:

Taxes bought by town	314 11
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Total outlay payments,	\$2,368 92
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Indebtedness:

Outstanding orders paid during year,	\$14 00
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Payments to Other Governmental Divisions:

Special poll taxes,	\$210 00
Taxes paid to State,	529 00
Taxes paid to county,	774 67

Payments to school districts,	3,297 00
Total payments to Other Gov- ernmental Divisions,	\$4,810 67
Total Payments for all Purposes,	\$7,193 59
Cash on hand Jan. 31, 1924,	340 89
Grand total,	\$7,534 48

SCHEDULE OF TOWN PROPERTY

DESCRIPTION

Town Hall, lands and buildings,	\$1,600 00
Furniture and equipment,	100 00
Highway Dept., road machine,	50 00
Three snow rollers,	300 00
	<u> </u> \$2,050 00

ORDERS DRAWN FOR TOWN MAINTENANCE

Breaking Snow After February 1, 1923

G. M. Crouse, hauling and hous- ing roller,	\$8 00
Olin B. Hanscom, 1 trip on roller,	6 00
Albert Wiley, 1 trip on roller,	6 00
W. P. Chandler, 1½ trips on roller,	9 00
Fred Charles, 1½ trips on roller with 4 horses,	18 00
Bert Stiles, hauling and housing roller,	20 00
George Hill, 3 trips on roller,	18 00

Dana Weeks, 3 trips on roller,	18 00
A. I. Andrews, 1 trip on roller with 4 horses,	12 00
A. S. Wentworth, rolling snow at S. Chatham,	21 00
Fred Charles, housing roller,	2 00
Fred Charles and team work on Stone's Hill,	1 33
Mertern Charles, shoveling snow on Stone's Hill,	67
Charles Lusky, shoveling snow on Stone's Hill,	1 00
Fred Lusky, shoveling snow on Stone's Hill,	1 00
Everett Eastman, breaking up to Johnson's,	2 50
Albert Wiley, breaking up to Ernest Andrews,	2 67

SUMMER

G. M. Crouse,	\$153 02
B. F. Chandler,	1 66
W. P. Chandler,	14 66
Fred Charles,	59 47
Fred Charles, 804 ft. railing,	34 17
George Guptill,	7 33
Fred Garland,	14 66
Fred Lusky,	7 33
Frank Harriman,	60 67
Charles Keefe,	4 33
Bert Stiles,	22 00
Lucien Stiles,	9 33

E. H. Johnson,	7 32
George Hill,	7 99
O. F. Gupstill, blacksmith work,	5 00
Willis Bryant,	19 01
Rodney M. Crouse,	13 33
Louville Emerson,	12 00
Fred Meader,	6 67
Henry Stiles,	2 67
Guy F. Heald,	7 34
Vance Meader,	9 67
J. L. Chandler,	54 34
J. L. Chandler, 86 posts,	17 20
Fred Charles, for use of warp,	3 00
Millard Chandler,	12 00
Olin R. Hanscom,	12 00
F. P. Bickford, spikes,	1 75
H. L. Hutchins, dynamite, nails and spikes,	7 76

BREAKING SNOW

G. M. Crouse, 2 trips on roller,	\$14 00
Olin R. Hanscom, 2 trips on roller,	14 00
Louville Emerson, 2 trips on roller,	14 00
William Stone, 2 trips on roller,	14 00
J. L. Chandler, 1 trip on roller,	7 00
Herbert Andrews, 1 trip on roller,	7 00
Dana Weeks, 1 trip on roller,	7 00
George Hill, 1 trip on roller,	7 00
Bert Stiles, 1 trip on roller,	7 00
Fred Charles, 1 trip with 4 horses,	14 00

GUY M. CROUSE,
Road Agent.

STATE AID MAINTENANCE

G. M. Crouse,	\$189 53
G. M. Crouse, 98 posts,	19 60
Fred Garland,	24 68
Olin R. Hanscom,	53 67
George Guptill,	13 67
Charles Keefe,	10 67
Henry Harvey,	1 67
Bert Stiles,	23 33
Lucien Stiles,	13 32
Henry Stiles,	1 33
W. P. Chandler,	21 34
Dean Charles,	3 00
Fred Charles,	36 67
Fred Charles, 2,000 ft. railings,	85 00
Fred Lusky,	6 67
Frank Harriman,	48 34
George Hill,	3 33
E. H. Johnson,	1 67
Rodney M. Crouse,	51 34
Loren Eastman,	5 50
Roger Emerson, express,	6 60
Louville Emerson,	22 33
Willis Bryant,	4 67
Edwin Lang,	20 67
William Stone,	30 00
H. L. Hutchins, bolts, nails, and spikes,	4 50
Town of Stow, 112 loads of gravel,	11 20
Robert H. Eastman,	3 00

GUY M. CROUSE,
Patrolman.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Dr.

Assessment for 1923,	\$6,203 58
Cash in treasury,	446 99
Due from collector for 1922,	724 85
Automobile tax,	357 79
Dog tax,	26 40
National Forest Reserve, dis- tribution,	197 35
Highway Dept., State aid,	347 65
Savings bank tax,	39 61
Tax on Hanscom place,	18 00
Interest on deposits,	15 00

\$8,377 22

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Paid by orders of Selectmen,	\$5,962 72
Paid State tax,	529 00
Paid county tax,	774 67
Due from collector for 1923,	769 94
Cash in treasury,	340 89

\$8,377 22

Respectfully submitted,

WELLINGTON P. CHANDLER,

Treasurer.

TOWN CLERK'S REPORT

I hereby submit the following report of dog licenses

for the year beginning May 1, 1923, and ending May 1, 1924.

Tax collected on one (1) female dog, full time,	\$5 00	
Tax collected on twelve (12) male dogs, full time,	24 00	
	<hr/>	\$29 00
License fee,		2 60
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Amount paid to W. P. Chandler, Treasurer,		\$26 40

OLIN R. HANSCOM,
Town Clerk.

TOWN CLERK'S REPORT

For automobile permits issued during the year 1923 :
Number of permits issued, thirty-eight (38) ; amount
received for thirty-eight (38) permits, \$357.79. The
above amount has been paid to Wellington P. Chandler,
Treasurer.

OLIN R. HANSCOM,
Town Clerk.

REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

To the School Board and Citizens of Chatham:

I have the honor of presenting this, my fifth annual report of the condition of your schools.

The school at North Chatham is taught by Lucretia Chandler. There are 7 pupils. The school is doing good work, and the interest is good.

The school at the Eastman school house is taught by Alice Charles. There are 9 pupils and this school is also doing good work.

The school at Green Hill, taught by Francis Hill, has 20 pupils, and I find a good lively school intent on the work in hand.

In the fall there were 3 pupils from the Center who attended the elementary school at Stowe. But the Guptil family have moved from town and this leaves but one pupil going from Chatham to the Stowe school.

There are four pupils in Fryeburg Academy, for which tuition is paid by the town. There are also some high school pupils from the Center attending the school at Stowe.

By direction of the State Educational Department I took up the matter of the Stowe school, to find if it has the approval of the Maine State Educational Department, and received the following reply to one of my letters: "I am making another application for the approval for the high school at Stowe but I am almost certain that approval will be denied." In view of this,

I have advised parents to send their pupils to approved schools. No doubt pupils may receive valuable instruction at the Stowe school, but other schools will not give credit for ranks that may be presented from this school.

In view of the fact that there are so few pupils in the north end of the town, it would be more economical to convey all of the pupils from the Center, and North Chatham to the Eastman school, and I recommend that this be done.

This year the town is receiving but \$1,284.60 from the State, and you will wonder why the state aid is cut down. You will see by the Financial Report that the town appropriated \$385 for high school tuition and that there was paid out \$880 under this item.

As you will see by the financial report, \$680 was paid to Fryeburg Academy last year. But \$275 was due on the year before. The district also paid Stowe for high school tuition \$180. As this cannot be paid from money appropriated for elementary schools, the District should appropriate enough extra money to make good the difference between what was spent and what was appropriated for high school tuition, viz., \$495.

There were some other items where it was necessary to overrun the amount approved by the sum of \$171.61. These have been paid from the money strictly belonging to the Elementary schools, and the amounts so paid out must be appropriated by the district.

The school houses are all now in a very good state of repair, and conform to the state requirements. But little need be expended in repairs for some time, probably. The schools are well equipped with books, and the pupils have had necessary supplies of paper, pen-

cils, etc. In view of the prosperous condition of your schools, I wish to thank the teachers who have given themselves so wholeheartedly to the work; also to the school board and citizens for your interest and efforts for better schools.

Respectfully,

L. M. FELCH,

Superintendent of Schools.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

For the Year Ending June 30, 1923

RECEIPTS

State aid, for elementary schools, \$1,944	25
From the town, for elementary schools,	1,202 83
Special appropriation, elementary schools,	95 00
Dog licenses, elementary schools,	24 00
Elementary tuitions, elementary schools,	361 25
For payment of High school tuitions,	385 00
Salary district officers,	80 00
For payment of debt,	368 00
Per capita tax,	92 00
Repairs on school house,	900 00
Excess salary,	51 43
Lumber sold,	7 20

Check returned,	2 85	
	<hr/>	\$5,513 79
Cash on hand July 1, 1922,		65 00
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		\$5,578 79

PAYMENTS

Teachers' salaries,	\$2,160 00	
Text books,	85 79	
Scholars' supplies,	48 83	
Flags,	10 00	
Other expenses of instruction,	40 00	
Janitor service,	108 00	
Fuel,	110 50	
Janitor's supplies,	13 60	
Medical inspection,	50 00	
Transportation,	696 00	
Minor repairs,	92 77	
	<hr/>	\$3,415 39
District officers,	\$85 00	
Truant officer and census,	6 00	
Expenses of administration,	13 57	
Alteration of old building,	745 41	
Superintendent's salary,	51 43	
Per capita tax,	92 00	
High school and Academy tuition,	880 00	
	<hr/>	\$5,288 90
Cash on hand July 1, 1923,		289 89
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		\$5,578 79

CERTIFICATE

This is to certify that I have examined the books

and other financial records of the school board of Chatham, and those of the treasurer of the school district of Chatham of which the above is a summary and find them correctly cast and properly vouched.

HAZEN CHANDLER,

Auditor.

July 6, 1923.

The following is a statement of the cost for the alterations on the Eastman School House:

Olen Hanscom, labor,	\$23 75	
L. A. Stevens, lumber,	129 82	
Ralph Pitman, cords and weights,	6 93	
A. L. Willey, labor,	65 25	
Olen Hanscom, labor,	5 25	
Kenneth Wiley, labor,	25 00	
Seavey & Hutchens, oil ,	6 00	
Charles Fox, cement,	22 00	
John Tebbetts, cement blocks,	19 00	
Ralph Pitman, labor and material,	509 82	
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		\$812 82
American Seating Co., seats and desks,	\$151 60	
J. L. Hammett Co., black boards,	30 47	
R. M. Emerson, freight and trucking,	44 27	
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		\$226 34
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Total,		\$1,039 16

As the District appropriated but \$500 for the repairs it will be necessary to provide for the balance of the bill.

VITAL STATISTICS.

TO THE SELECTMEN—In compliance with an act of Legislature passed June session, 1887, requiring clerks of towns and cities to furnish a transcript of the record of births, marriages, and deaths to the municipal officers for publication in the Annual Report, I hereby submit the following:

Births in the Town of Chatham for the Year Ending December 31, 1923

Date of Birth	Name of Child	No. of Child	Name of Father	Maiden Name of Mother	Birthplace of Father	Birthplace of Mother
Feb. 18	Arlene Pearl Bryant	7	Willis C. Bryant	Ethel Guptill	Chatham	Stow, Me
Sept. 2	Harry Guy Crouse	2	Guy M. Crouse	Mattie McKeen	Thomastown, Me	Chatham
Dec. 7	Herman Charles Heald, Jr	1	Herman C. Heald	Marion E. Charles	Fryeburg, Me	"

NO MARRIAGES RECORDED IN 1923

Deaths registered in the Town of Bartlett for the Year ending December 31, 1923

Date of Death	Name of Deceased	Age			Place of Birth	Name of Father	Maiden Name of Mother
		Years	Months	Days			
Feb 5	Frank W Pickering	65	9	5	Londonderry	Ebenezer Pickering	Harriet Anderson
10	Herbert Pendexter	47	9	18	East Fryeburg Me	Noah Pendexter	Unknown
22	Sarah H Walker	80	3	7	South Chatham	Charles Walker	Sally J Hill
Aug 2	Hazen Chandler	68	5	27	Chatham	Daniel Chandler	Abigail Wyman
22	Anson Bishop	75	6	7	Unknown	Unknown	Unknown
Oct 5	Dana Hill	84	1	4	South Chatham	Jonah Hill	Persis Ballard
Dec 17	Frank G. Brickett	76	11	5	Concord	James Brickett	Olive Bragdon
Dec 17	Frank G. Guptill	76	8	27	Chatham	Otis Carlton	Dorcas Dolloff

I hereby certify that the above and foregoing is a true transcript of the record of all the Births, Marriages and Deaths that have been reported to me for the year ending December 31, 1923.

OLIN R. HANSCOM, Town Clerk.

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